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SUBJECT

Conditions on Border

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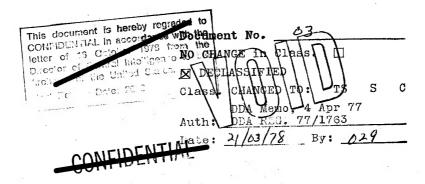
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1. Attempts by the Siamese government to break up the sauggling rings in south Siam are obstructed by the fact that Siamese officials in the area are already corrupted by huge bribes. Financial inducements offered by the Siamese government for the apprehension of saugglers are infintesimal compared with the lucrative bribes offered by the saugglers. Dr. Johnson (See an Indian in Alor Star who heads Sheriff & Cog) is one of the principal saugglers.

- 2. Chinese Communists in south Siam are attempting to blackmail wealthy Chinese merchants in the area. The Siamese government has possession of a number of letters written by the Communists to the merchants in which the merchants are accused of having collaborated with the Japanese; the Communists threaten to report this collaboration to the Chinese National Government in Nanking unless Tcs. 100,000 are immediately forthcoming. Siamese observers state the Chinese Communists of south Siam are far more concerned with local squabbling than with the larger question of Chinese politics.
- 3. The remaining British forces in south Siam were scheduled to withdraw 5 October 1946.



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